

AUTEUIL [L-H] - 27 March

Race 1 - PRIX AIR LANDAIS - 4400m STPLE. Purse EUR €80,000.

1. **GEMINI D'AX** - Unseated the rider five-out in a Class One course and distance chase after a break. Place chance on best figures.
2. **GNAFRON** - Bit to find with Echo de Champdoux on his track and trip fourth three weeks ago.
3. **ECHO DE CHAMPDOUX** - Good 8L runner-up in a Class One course and distance chase three weeks back. Player.
4. **BECQUARAINBOW** - Placed in the G3 Prix Leopold d'Orsetti - Grande Course de Haies de Compiègne over hurdles last November. Close Class One chase third here latest. Claims.
5. **DOCTOR SQUEEZE** - Should strip fitter for hurdling third recently. Rounded off a chasing hat-trick with a 20L course and distance success in 2020. Top claims.
6. **HANO DE LOI** - Routed the opposition for a 30L track and trip chase success prior to pulling up in the G3 Prix Morgex last November. Noted.

Summary: DOCTOR SQUEEZE (5) should strip fitter for hurdling third recently. Top chance back over fences having rounded off a chasing hat-trick with a 20L course and distance success in 2020. HANO DE LOI (6) destroyed his opposition for a 30L track and trip chase victory prior to pulling up in the G3 Prix Morgex last November. Claims after a break. BECQUARAINBOW (4) found the frame in the G3 Prix Leopold d'Orsetti - Grande Course de Haies de Compiègne over hurdles last November. Solid Class One chase third here latest and cannot be ruled out. ECHO DE CHAMPDOUX (3) completes the shortlist.

Selections

DOCTOR SQUEEZE (5) - HANO DE LOI (6) - BECQUARAINBOW (4) - ECHO DE CHAMPDOUX (3)

Race 2 - PRIX LE TOUQUET - 3500m STPLE. Purse EUR €80,000.

1. **MAGIC MARVEL** - Moderate 18L eighth in a 3600m Class Two hurdle here after a break. Needs to take a step forward.
2. **IKORIKO** - Followed-up a 5.5L success at Pau with a narrow Class One course and distance chase second. Not dismissed.
3. **MISTER CHAMPDOUX** - Made it two from two over fences when winning by 5.5L at Compiegne last November. Interesting upped in standard.
4. **IMPRESSIVE** - Well-fancied to get off the mark over fences but had to settle for second over 3450m at Compiegne. Classy hurdler who needs respect.
5. **BAHIOSUN** - Moderate 29L fourth when behind Impressive at Compiegne nineteen days ago. Bit more required.
6. **LA MANIGANCE** - Second in the G2 Haras d'Etreham - Prix Magalen Bryant over hurdles last November. Smooth transition to chasing when scoring by 6L at Angers. Claims.

Summary: LA MANIGANCE (6) was an excellent runner-up in the G2 Haras d'Etreham - Prix Magalen Bryant hurdle last November. Smooth transition to chasing when scoring by 6L at Angers and could follow-up. IMPRESSIVE (4) was well-fancied to get off the mark over fences but had to settle for second tackling 3450m at Compiegne. Classy hurdler who needs respect. MISTER CHAMPDOUX (3) made it two from two over fences when winning at Compiegne last November. Interesting upped in grade. IKORIKO (2) is one to note.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LA MANIGANCE (6) - IMPRESSIVE (4) - MISTER CHAMPDOUX (3) - IKORIKO (2)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX GENERAL DE ROUGEMONT - 3600m HCP HDLE. Purse EUR €95,000.

1. **MISTER VISION** - Shed the maiden tag when winning a Class Two hurdle at Angers 22 days ago. Chance back up in grade.
2. **HOPPEFULL HAS** - Sent off favourite for the course and distance Listed Prix Univers li last outing. Fell at the last when looking held but remains of interest.
3. **ALCE** - 8.75L fifth behind some of these in the Listed Prix Univers li handicap hurdle three weeks ago. Place looks best off the same mark.
4. **PAINT PRINCE** - 12L sixth in the Listed Prix Univers handicap hurdle over track and trip last outing. Frame chance.
5. **TEMPO DU MATHAN** - Unexposed and shaped well when third in the course and distance Listed Prix Univers li latest. Player.
6. **IBAN ROQUE** - Clear career best when winning by 4L at Angers third-time out. Upped in standard.
7. **GRACIEUX DU LOGIS** - Showed promise when runner-up at Pau but was disappointing when held over track and trip latest. More required.
8. **IRATZEDERREA** - Well beaten when seventh on chasing debut at Compiegne. Return to hurdles a positive but market likely the best guide.
9. **MARIE COASTALA** - Found the frame in four starts to date and was an excellent runner-up on handicap debut in the Listed Prix Univers li. Top claims.
10. **MON DOUDOU** - Below par when ninth in the Listed Prix Univers three weeks ago. Interesting on best figures and worth a glance on stable debut.
11. **GALI LOVE** - Held in the Listed Prix Univers li behind plenty of these latest and may need more than a 0.5kg drop in the weights.
12. **ZINOA** - Second in a claiming chase over 3500m here four weeks back. This looks tougher.
13. **IDEAL DU CHENET** - Majorly disappointing when pulled-up in a 3400m hurdle at Compiegne last November. Given time off since and retains potential. Not discounted.
14. **CHATEAU YOGHURT** - Placed behind Gali Love on his last two outings. Could sneak into the placings on handicap debut.

Summary: A competitive affair that looks to revolve around the course and distance Listed Prix Univers li handicap hurdle that took place three weeks ago. Another chance is given to HOPPEFULL HAS (2) who was sent off favourite for the contest when falling at the last. The unexposed four-year-old was looking held at the time but remains of serious interest on prior form for a good yard. MARIE COASTALA (9) was beaten 0.5L when runner-up in the event whilst TEMPO DU MATHAN (5) was just behind in third. The former looks sure to be involved if replicating and the latter is open to more progress. IDEAL DU CHENET (13) retains plenty of potential and cannot be dismissed. MISTER VISION (1) is interesting back up in standard.

Selections

HOPPEFULL HAS (2) - MARIE COASTALA (9) - TEMPO DU MATHAN (5) - IDEAL DU CHENET (13) - MISTER VISION (1)

Race 4 - PRIX HUBERT DE NAVAILLES - 3600m HDLE CL1. Purse EUR €49,000.

1. **SCATAR** - Completed a double in Class Three hurdles at Pau before falling six-out at Angers on chase debut. Unexposed back over hurdles.
2. **MONSIEUR GEORGE** - Approximately 27L to find with Goodwood and Hachasson on hurdling debut sixth. Opposed.
3. **GOODWOOD** - Caused a bit of a surprise when winning a course and distance newcomers hurdle three weeks ago. Key contender.
4. **GREATSONG** - Made a winning start to life over hurdles last September. Pulled-up on reappearance but worth a second look.
5. **THE TICKLER** - Found the frame in a pair of Cagnes-sur-Mer hurdles thus far. Solid claims after a break.
6. **HACHASSON** - Shaped with bundles of promise when runner-up behind Goodwood on hurdling debut here. Major claims.
7. **VOILA POURQUOI** - Flat winner who stayed well on the level. Interesting recruit to hurdling.

Summary: HACHASSON (6) finished 1.25L behind GOODWOOD (3) when the pair met in a course and distance newcomers hurdle three weeks back. The latter surprised a few in the market on that occasion but clearly has plenty of ability and will be no pushover trying to uphold the form. That said the latter looked in need of the experience and is given a slender vote to reverse the placings with that outing under his belt. SCATAR (1) completed a double in Class Three hurdles at Pau before falling six-out at Angers on chase debut. Unexposed and respected over hurdles. The consistent THE TICKLER (5) needs considering.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HACHASSON (6) - GOODWOOD (3) - SCATAR (1) - THE TICKLER (5)</p>
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Race 5 - PRIX ALCIDE - 3600m HDLE CL2. Purse EUR €47,000.

1. **HERMES DE CHAMDOUX** - Second behind a subsequent winner at Cagnes-sur-Mer on debut. Shaped well when fourth in what is looking to be an extremely strong event here just under a year ago. Top chance.
2. **IMPRESSIVE MACHIN** - Third in a course and distance Class Two hurdle 27 days ago. One to note.
3. **IMPERIAL MAG** - Showed plenty of promise in three starts to date including when third at Angers latest. Claims.
4. **L'AUTEUR** - Unraced gelding by Diamond Boy. Interesting for a top stable.
5. **BABY FOOT** - Pulled-up when sent off a big price for a newcomers track and trip hurdle. Opposed.
6. **DIAMOND LITTLE BOY** - Unraced gelding by Diamond Boy. Market will guide.
7. **GREAT FEELING** - Held in both outings to date. Best watched.
8. **SA MAJESTE** - Gelding by Top Trip making his debut. Needs a look in the betting for a good yard.
9. **IRANKA DE THAIX** - Fell six-out here on debut when sent off a big price. Best watched.
10. **INSTANT PRECIEUX** - Won on the AW at Pornichet three back but shown very little over hurdles so far.
11. **CARUSO DE LA BARRE** - Tailed off seventh over 3500m here on debut. Easily opposed.

Summary: This can go the way of HERMES DE CHAMDOUX (1) who finished second behind a subsequent winner at Cagnes-sur-Mer on debut. Subsequently shaped well when fourth in what is looking to be an extremely strong event here just under a year ago. Top claims having been given plenty of time to strengthen since. IMPERIAL MAG (3) has shown plenty of promise in three starts to date including when third at Angers. Player. IMPRESSIVE MACHIN (2) was a solid third in a course and distance Class Two hurdle. Thereabouts. Newcomer DIAMOND LITTLE BOY (6) needs a market check. L'AUTEUR (4) is worth a second look.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HERMES DE CHAMDOUX (1) - IMPERIAL MAG (3) - IMPRESSIVE MACHIN (2) - DIAMOND LITTLE BOY (6) - L'AUTEUR (4)</p>
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Race 6 - PRIX HYPOTHESE - 3900m HDLE. Purse EUR €120,000.

1. **L'AUTONOMIE** - Top-class multiple G1 winning mare including a 30L rout of her opposition last summer in the G1 Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil. Seven wins from eight course and distance starts. Tough to oppose.
2. **PORTO POLLO** - Honourable type who finished 10L behind Theleme when third in the 3600m G3 Prix Juigne here last outing. Place chance.
3. **THELEME** - Followed up her 8L demolition in the G1 Prix Renaud du Vivier last November with a smooth comeback success in the G3 Prix Juigne three weeks ago. Main danger to L'autonomie.
4. **HERMES BAIE** - Runner-up to Theleme in the G3 Prix Juigne over 3600m at this course three weeks ago. Firmly involved.
5. **FOLSOM PRISON** - Third behind L'autonomie in the 4800m G1 Grand Prix d'Automne here last November. Capable of finding the frame.
6. **BELLE PROMESSE** - Held fifth behind a trio of re-opposing rivals in the G3 Prix Juigne at this track. Needs to find improvement.
7. **COLBERT DU BERLAIS** - Sixth in the G3 Prix Juigne over 3600m here three weeks back. More required to trouble the main protagonists.

Summary: This should go to L'AUTONOMIE (1). A top-class multiple G1 winning mare including a 30L rout of her opposition last summer in the G1 Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil. Seven wins from eight course and distance starts. Tough to oppose with plenty to spare in ratings. The main danger should come from THELEME (3) who followed up her 8L success in the G1 Prix Renaud du Vivier last November with a smooth comeback win in the G3 Prix Juigne three weeks ago when beating plenty of re-opposing rivals. Key chance. HERMES BAIE (4) finished runner-up in that event and should be involved. PORTO POLLO (2) was back in third and completes the shortlist.

Selections

L'AUTONOMIE (1) - THELEME (3) - HERMES BAIE (4) - PORTO POLLO (2)
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Race 7 - PRIX KASHNIL - 3600m HCP HDLE. Purse EUR €55,000.

1. **MA VISION Berval** - Narrow success in a claiming hurdle at Fontainebleau last outing. Leading chance.
2. **WALFER** - Unplaced in seven career outings. Others preferred.
3. **GOLD FOR NIZZY** - Behind some of these when fourth at Fontainebleau last November. Remains unexposed and interesting having been supplemented.
4. **ROB'S WELLS** - Made the running when 9L fifth in a 3550m Class Four hurdle at Fontainebleau. Bit more needed.
5. **IRISH SPORT** - 13L sixth over 3400m at Angers in Class Four company latest. Place looks best.
6. **CAVANI KAIZEN** - Split subsequent winners in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Angers two back. Interesting on that form.
7. **MY FIRST MOON** - Plenty to find with Ma Vision Berval on claiming hurdle seventh at Fontainebleau. Opposed.
8. **RUNHAYMIN** - Faced a tough task when held in the Listed Prix Univers li here latest. Claims back down in grade.
9. **PRINCESSE ETOILEE** - 2.5L fifth when behind Ma Vision Berval in a 3550m claiming hurdle at Fontainebleau. Noted in first-time cheekpieces.
10. **SHENTA** - 3L sixth behind a few of these at Fontainebleau 24 days ago. Could find the placings.

Summary: MA VISION Berval (1) had a few of these behind when winning a claiming hurdle by a long-neck at Fontainebleau. Leading player. RUNHAYMIN (8) faced a tough task when held in the Listed Prix Univers li here. Major chance back down in grade. CAVANI KAIZEN (6) split subsequent winners in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Angers two runs back. Interesting if replicating that effort. PRINCESSE ETOILEE (9) could be set for some improvement in first-time cheekpieces. GOLD FOR NIZZY (3) may run into the placings.

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Race 8 - PRIX MITSOUKO III - 3600m STPLE CL2. Purse EUR €52,000.

1. **IRONIQUE** - Dual winner over fences and was a solid third at Pau in a Class One 89 days ago. Claims.
2. **INFRA ROUGE** - Interesting if replicating his 8L Class Four chase success at Pau in January. Fair fifth over hurdles here latest.
3. **IMPERIUM** - Placed twice in this grade over fences before a moderate sixth in the Listed Prix Durtain hurdle at Compiègne. Drops in standard.
4. **INCA DE THAIX** - 3.5L second on chasing debut at Pau last month. Open to progress.
5. **ILLICO** - Made a winning chasing debut when scoring by 0.75L in a Class Four at Fontainebleau. Interesting.
6. **IMAGOT** - Looked limited in four starts to date hurdling. Opposed on chase debut.
7. **IMPETRANT LORD** - Unseated the rider at Compiègne nineteen days ago but holds place claims on his chase debut third at Pau.
8. **IKARAK** - Solid profile over hurdles including when fourth in a Class Two at this course and distance latest. Chance on chasing debut.
9. **INTENSE RAFFLES** - Unbeaten in three outings to date. Impressed when winning a 3500m hurdle by 3L here last October. Top chance now chasing.

Summary: INTENSE RAFFLES (9) arrives unbeaten in three outings to date and impressed when winning a 3500m hurdle by 3L here last October. Top chance now chasing for a leading stable. IKARAK (8) has a solid profile over hurdles and was a good fourth in a Class Two at this course and distance latest. Major claims on chasing debut. IRONIQUE (1) is a dual winner over fences and finished third at Pau in a Class One last start. Involved. IMPERIUM (3) is one to note down in grade.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">INTENSE RAFFLES (9) - IKARAK (8) - IRONIQUE (1) - IMPERIUM (3)</p>
